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Dear Sirs

## **VALE OF WHITE HORSE LOCAL PLAN (Part 1) REPRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF OXFORD DIOCESE BOARD OF FINANCE**

The attached representations have been prepared and submitted by Carter Jonas on behalf of the Oxford Diocese Board of Finance (ODBF).

Four representation forms have been completed, relating to draft Core Policy 3 (Settlement Hierarchy), Core Policy 4 (Meeting Our Housing Needs), Core Policy 8 (Spatial Strategy for Abingdon-on-Thames and Oxford Fringe Sub-Area) and Core Policy 20 (Spatial Strategy for Western Vale Sub-Area).

In summary terms, we support the proposed Settlement Hierarchy and the Council's proposal to meet its objectively assessed housing needs in full. We also support the Council's pragmatic approach to addressing any unmet housing needs from adjoining local authority areas.

The broad approach to accommodating future development needs in the District is supported, although we believe that the land previously proposed for development (south of Shrivenham) should be reinstated, to help meet development needs in the District in the longer term. We also believe that there would be merit in allocating ODBF land for development at Cumnor Hill.

Please do let us know if you require any further information or clarification.

Yours faithfully



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